

**Before the  
Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of	)	
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Implementing a Nationwide, Broadband,	)	PS Docket No. 06-229
Interoperable Public Safety Network in the 700	)	
MHz Band	)	

To: Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau

**700 MHz PUBLIC SAFETY BROADBAND QUARTERLY REPORT #6  
OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

Pursuant to the Commission's *Waiver Order*,<sup>1</sup> the District of Columbia ("District") here provides this 700 MHz Public Safety Broadband Quarterly Report.

*Planning.* The District has continued to participate in the PSST Operator Advisory Committee (OAC) activities, study items of the Public Safety Communications Research (PSCR) project, and NPSTC working groups that are focused on developing requirements for QOS, prioritization, and local control. The District also participated in the second annual National Capital Region (NCR) Interoperability Forum held September 14-15, 2011 in Silver Spring, MD, including a panel session on broadband. The District currently has no deployment schedule for LTE because of the lack of funding. Along with the other Statewide Interoperability Coordinators of FEMA Region III states (Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia and West Virginia), the District of

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<sup>1</sup> *In the Matter of Requests for Waiver of Various Petitioners to Allow the Establishment of 700 MHz Interoperable Public Safety Wireless Broadband Networks*, PS Docket No. 06-229, FCC 10-79 (May 12, 2010) ("*Waiver Order*"), ¶ 64.

Columbia will participate in a regional planning project under the FEMA-III Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant Program (RCPGP).

*Funding.* The District is continuing to analyze funding sources and awaiting the outcome of congressional legislation on the governance and funding of a nationwide public safety broadband network.

*Deployment.* The District already has 12 sites fully prepared as a result of its earlier 700 MHz broadband pilot initiatives. Deployment planning will be on hold until there is more clarity on funding and an appropriate procurement vehicle.

Respectfully submitted,

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